Appln. No.: 10/052,077

Amendment dated August 25, 2003

Reply to Office Action mailed July 25, 2003

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The office action of July 25, 2003 has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-13 are pending. Claims 1-13 are subject to a restriction requirement. Specifically, the Examiner indicates the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species: Species I – Fig. 1; Species II – Fig. 2; and Species III – Fig. 4.

In response, the Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's restriction of the pending claims. Notwithstanding, the Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, to restrict the application to Species III – Fig. 4. The claims readable on Species III include claims 1-13.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, the applicant reserves the right to submit claims to the additional species disclosed in the pending application.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that no fee is required for this submission. If any fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

All rejections and objections having been addressed, Applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicits prompt notification of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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